

REMARKS

Applicant's attorney appreciates the examiner's indication of allowable subject matter and the acceptance of the claim for the benefit of priority based upon international application number PCT/DE00/02275.

The specification has been amended in several respects to correct typographical and other minor errors. None of the amendments to the specification introduces new matter because each of the changes is based upon the application as originally filed, including the specification, claims, and drawings.

The drawings were objected to on the ground they did not show several elements recited in the claims. In that regard, attached hereto are marked-up drawing sheets 1, 2, and 6, showing changes to Figs. 1, 3, and 14 to respond to the examiner's objections. The sensors, the control means and the control system are shown in proposed amended Figs. 1 and 14; the means for turning are shown in several drawing figures, such as motor 20 shown in original Fig. 1 and also in amended Fig. 26; the electromagnet 920 and slave cylinder 920a are shown in proposed amended Fig. 14; and the collet chuck is shown in proposed new Fig. 2a. Additionally, the originally-filed drawings included a force sensor 791 in Fig. 15, referred to in paragraph [0211] of the text of the published application. The changes shown in the proposed amended drawings do not introduce new matter because they are based upon the application as originally filed, including the specification, claims, and drawings. Additionally, it is believed that the proposed changes overcome the drawing objections, and therefore entry of the attached replacement drawing sheets and the new drawing sheet

incorporating those changes is respectfully requested.

Claim 111 has been amended to correct the informality noted by the examiner.

A number of the claims in the application were rejected on the ground of obviousness-type double patenting based upon the assignee's U.S. Patent No. 6,886,675. Accordingly, attached hereto is a Terminal Disclaimer that overcomes that rejection. The reference Raber '675 patent is commonly owned by the assignee of the present application, LuK Lamellen und Kupplungsbau Beteiligungs KG. Commonality of ownership of the Raber '675 patent and of the present application is evidenced by the attached copies of Patent Assignment Abstracts of Title for each of the Raber '675 patent and the present application. Those abstracts of title reflect the fact that ownership both of the Raber '675 patent and also of the present application is in LuK Lamellen und Kupplungsbau Beteiligungs KG.

New claims 114 and 115 have been added to depend from amended claim 112 to claim in separate claims the electromagnet and the fluid-operated slave cylinder. Claim 112 was amended to recite a braking component. Because claim 112 before this amendment was found to be allowable, it is believed that amended claim 112 should still be allowable, along with new dependent claims 114 and 115.

Based upon the foregoing amendments and remarks, the application as hereinabove amended is believed clearly to be in allowable form. Consequently, reconsideration and reexamination of the application is respectfully requested with a view toward the issuance of an early Notice of Allowance.

The examiner is cordially invited to telephone the undersigned attorney if this amendment raises any questions, so that any such question can be quickly resolved in order that the present application can proceed toward allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments:

Annotated drawing sheets showing proposed drawing changes
Replacement drawing sheets including the proposed changes
New drawing sheet
Abstract of Title dated 1/6/2006 for U.S. Patent No. 6,886,675
Abstract of Title dated 1/6/2006 for Application Serial No. 10/040,771
Terminal Disclaimer

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

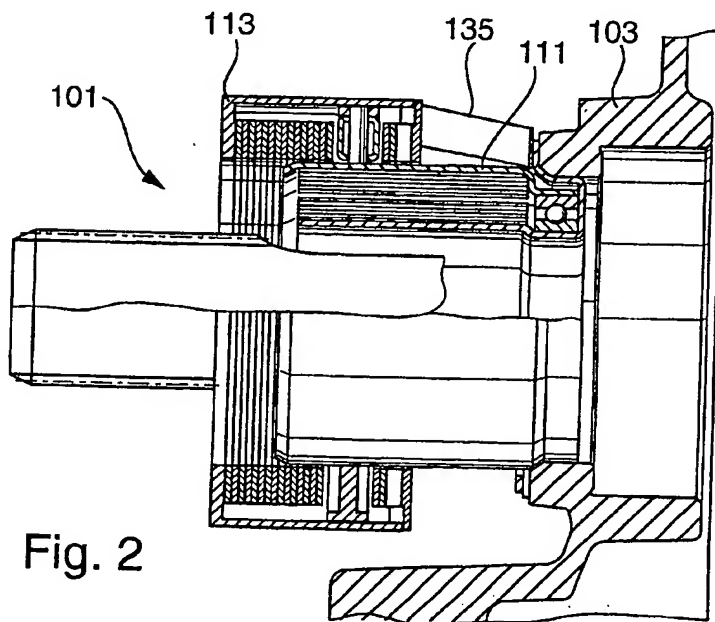
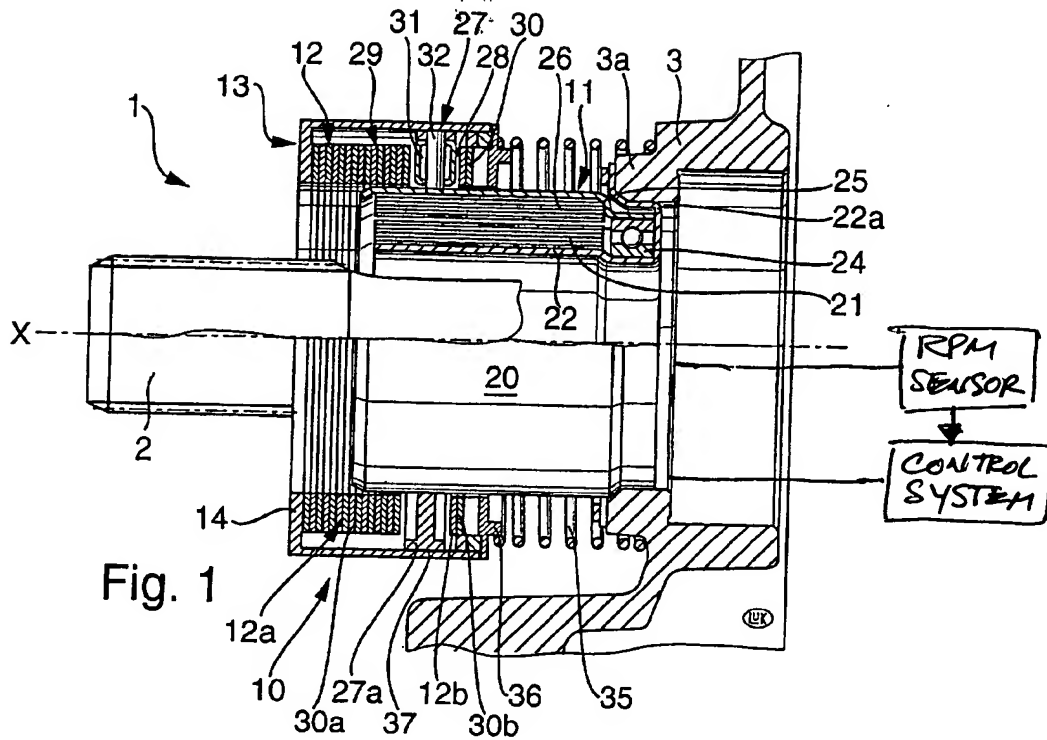
The four replacement drawing sheets appended hereto are in response to the examiner's requirement for drawings showing sensors, a control means or control system, a means for turning, and a slave cylinder. Also appended hereto are annotated drawing sheets showing in red the changes to the corresponding originally-filed drawing sheets.

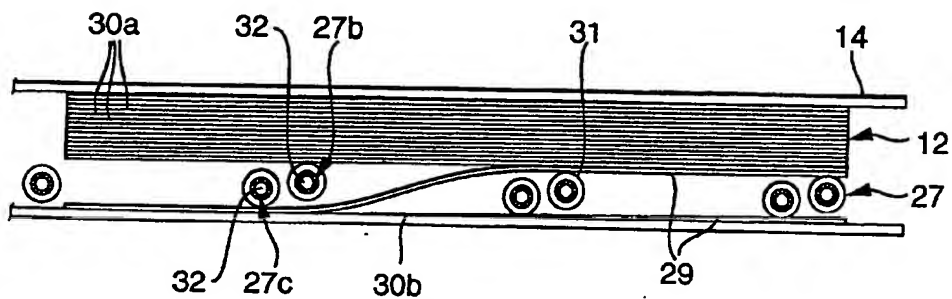
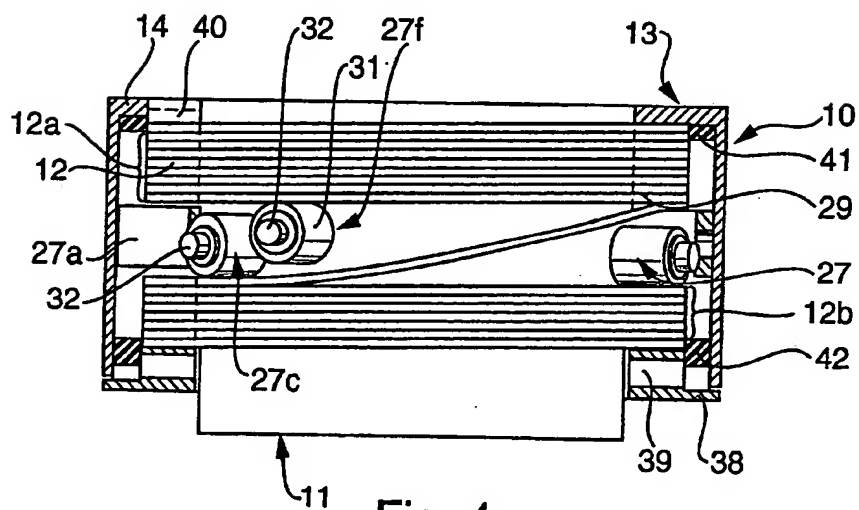
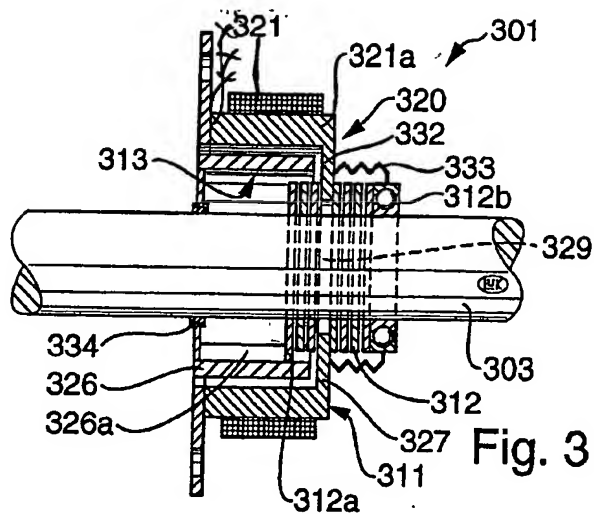
The amendment to Fig. 3 merely redirects the lead line for reference numeral 321.

New drawing sheet 1.1 presents new Fig. 2a to show the collet chuck.

None of the replacement drawing sheets nor the new drawing sheet introduces new matter because each is based upon disclosures as contained in either or all of the specification, the claims, and the drawings as originally filed.

Acceptance and entry of the attached replacement and new drawing sheets is respectfully requested.





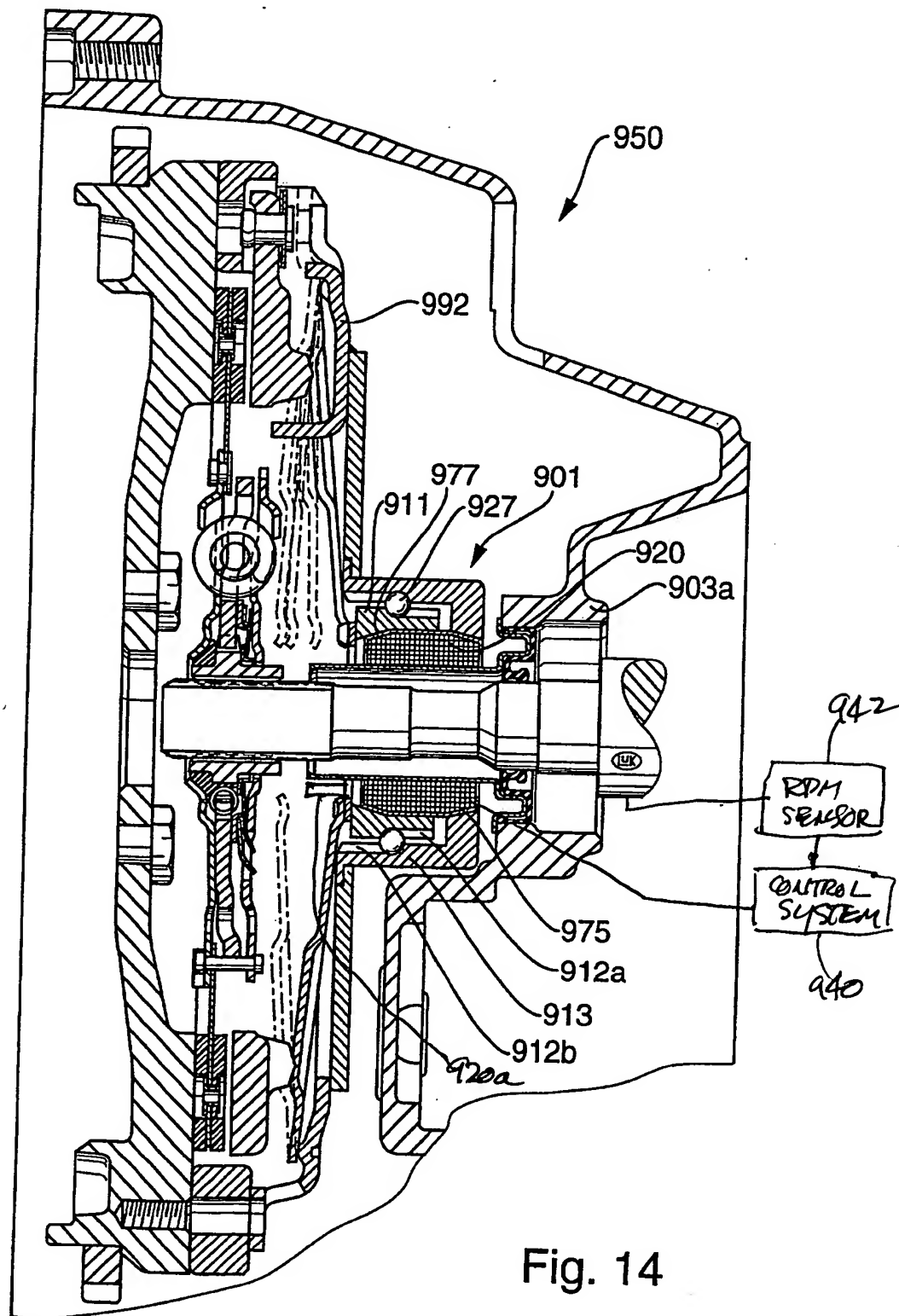


Fig. 14

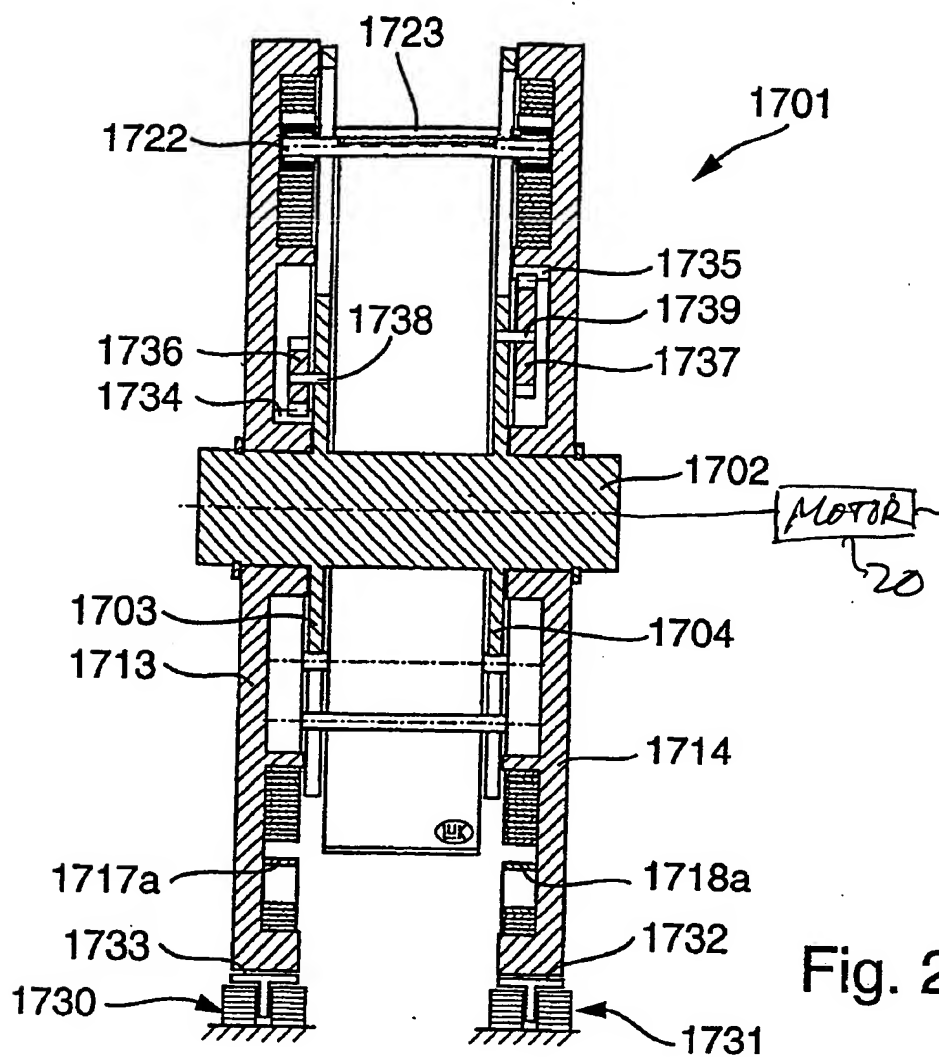


Fig. 26